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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1776

DATE PREPARED: Apr 20, 2001

BILL AMENDED: Apr 20, 2001

SUBJECT: Redistricting of the House of Representatives; Office of Census Data .

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill has the following provisions:

(A) Establishes legislative districts for the House of Representatives and the Senate. Repeals current legislative districts and the requirement that Indiana be divided into 99 House of Representatives districts with respect to elections held after November 4, 2002.

(B) Establishes the Office of Census Data in the Legislative Services Agency. Requires the office to:

- (1) provide advice in defining the boundaries of census blocks in Indiana;
- (2) assist in coordinating the state's efforts to obtain an accurate population count in each federal decennial census;
- (3) perform other duties relating to Indiana's participation in the decennial census;
- (4) provide assistance in the preparation and organization of decennial census data for use in congressional and state legislative redistricting;
- (5) work with political subdivisions following each decennial census to provide information and assistance concerning special censuses, special tabulations, and corrected population counts;
- (6) work with the Election Division, state agencies, and political subdivisions to maintain accurate information concerning the boundaries of precincts and political subdivisions;
- (7) provide technical assistance to counties, the Election Commission, and the Election Division to comply with Indiana law concerning precinct establishment;
- (8) maintain a geographic information system (GIS) that contains the boundaries of all precincts, legislative districts, and congressional districts; and
- (9) perform other census and mapping research as determined by the Executive Director of the Legislative Services Agency or as required by the Legislative Council.

(C) Requires the Election Division to provide the office with certain information relating to precinct

boundaries and election returns. Requires the Election Division and the office to cooperate to resolve any errors found in the GIS.

Effective Date: (Amended) July 1, 2001; November 5, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) (A) The current statute calls for the reduction of the number of representatives from one hundred (100) to ninety-nine (99) which would result in a reduction of state expenditures beginning in FY 2003. The current salary of a representative is \$11,600 per year. In addition, legislators receive \$112 per diem for every day they are in session and \$25 per diem for every day they are not in session. Legislators are also entitled to mileage reimbursement for one round trip to Indianapolis per week. This bill will retain the current number of representatives and the reduction of state expenditures will not occur. These expenses are paid from the General Fund appropriation to the House of Representatives.

(B) This provision formally establishes two positions within the Legislative Services Agency, under the Office of Census Data, in order to comply with this provision of the bill as described above. The positions currently exist in a non-statutory defined form. It is believed any increase with respect to expenditures would be minimal in order to implement this provision.

(C) Increased expenditures would be required by the Indiana Election Division in order to comply with this provision. The estimated cost of this provision is \$40,000 per fiscal year. The Election Division has indicated these expenditures would not be absorbable in the Election Division's FY 2002-2003 budget.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: House of Representatives; Senate, Legislative Council, Legislative Services Agency, Indiana Election Division.

Local Agencies Affected:

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